महात्मा गांधी की 125वीं जयंती का मनाया जाना

6083. **श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह :** क्या मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने महात्मा गांधी की 125वीं जयंती को राष्ट्रीय स्तर पर मनाने हेतु कोई विशेष योजना बनाई है

(ख) यदि हां, तो उक्त योजना का ब्यौरा क्या है ; और

(ग) क्या उक्त योजना में किसी प्रकार से संसद सदस्यों को भी शामिल करने की कोई व्यवस्था है ?

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय में (शिक्षा विभाग और संस्कृति विभाग) में उप मंत्री (कुमारी शैलजा) : (क) से (ग) महात्मा गांधी की 125 वीं जयंती मनाने तथा कार्यक्रम व कार्यकलाप तैयार करने के लिए प्रधान मंत्री की अध्यक्षता में एक राष्ट्रीय समिति का गठन किया गया है । राष्ट्रीय समिति में, अन्यों के साथ-साथ माननीय संसद-सदस्य भी शामिल हैं ।

Nutrition Programmes in Rajasthan

6084. **SHRI RAJENDRA PRASAD MODY:** Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to launch some nutrition programmes in some States of the country in view of the increasing malnutrition situation;

(b) if so, whether any nutrition programmes have been launched so far in those States and specially in Rajasthan; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT) SMT. BASAVA RAJESHWAR:

(a) Keeping in view the concern about the problem of malnutrition effecting the vulnerable segments of the population such as pre-school children as well as expectant and nursing women in different parts of the country, the Government has already been implementing a number of nutrition and nutrition related programmes in different States/U.Ts.

(b) The major nutrition programmes launched by the Government in different States and U.Ts. including Rajasthan are Integrated Child Development Services Scheme, Adolescent Girls Scheme, Mid Day Meal Programme, Nutritional Anaemia Prophylaxis Programme, Prophylaxis Programmes against Blindness due to Vitamin "A" Deficiency, National IDD control Programme Universal Immunization Programme, Child Survival and Safe Motherhood Programme and Nutrition Education and Extension Programme.

(c) Does not arise.

Malnutrition in the country

6085. **SMT. KAMLA SINHA:** Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that more than 250 million people in the country suffer from malnutrition; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken or propose to take to ameliorate this staggering extent of nutrition deficiency?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT) SMT. BASAVA RAJESHWAR: (a) Around 250 million people suffer from varying degrees of malnutrition such as underweight, low haemoglobin level, deficiency of vitamins or minerals, iodine deficiency disorders.